

River in Virginia, with a governour and colony sent by the Lord Bartimore,¹ who was expected there shortly himself, and that they resisted those of Virginia, who came to trade in that river.

It appeared after, that the king had written to Sir John Harvy,² || knight, || governour of Virginia, to give all assistance to that new plantation, which was called Maryland by the queen of England; and those who came over were, many of them, Papists, and did set up mass openly.

July.] The Hercules of Dover returned by St. George's to cut masts to carry to England.

The last month arrived here fourteen great ships,³ and one at Salem.

Mr. Humfrey and the lady Susan, his wife, one of the Earl of Lincoln's sisters, arrived here. He brought more ordnance, *135 muskets, and powder, bought for the public by moneys given to that end; for godly people in England began now to apprehend a special hand of God in raising this plantation, and their hearts were generally stirred to come ||² over ||. Among others, we received letters from a godly preacher, Mr. Levinston, a Scotchman in the north of Ireland, whereby he signified, that there were many good Christians in those parts resolved to come hither, if they might receive satisfaction concerning some questions and propositions which they sent over. Likewise, Mr. Humfrey brought certain propositions⁴ from some
 || king's || ||² to us ||

¹ Cecil, son of George, Lord Baltimore, against whom nothing can be learned from history but the father's conscientious conversion, and the heir's adherence, to the Romish religion. For their just deserts, which the liberal inhabitants of Maryland will never forget, the reader is referred to Belknap's *American Biography*, II. 363-380. Candor must be extended to some passages of this History, in which the spirit of the age will appear more prominently than justice.

² This gentleman, who had been named by King James, in his last year, of the council for the immediate government of Virginia, *Haz.* I. 189, was, by Charles, appointed governour, 26 March, 1627. *Ib.* 234. A new commission for the same place was given him nine years after. *Ib.* 400.

³ One of these was the Planter. The bill of lading for the government stores, put on board by Humfrey, who was, probably, a passenger, was dated 7 April. See the account of Treasurer Pyncheon, in 2 *Mass. Hist. Coll.* VIII. 228.

⁴ For these propositions of certain peers, and others of the English nobility, Maryland State Archives: *Documents for the Classroom*, MSA SC 2221-3-1-3